

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 HB1791

Introduced 2/14/2005, by Rep. Michael J. Madigan - Barbara Flynn Currie - Kurt M. Granberg

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

505 ILCS 35/1-2

from Ch. 5, par. 2401-2

Amends the Illinois Conservation Enhancement Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the legislative purpose and policy of the ${\sf Act.}$

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1 AN ACT concerning agriculture.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Conservation Enhancement Act is amended by changing Section 1-2 as follows:
- 6 (505 ILCS 35/1-2) (from Ch. 5, par. 2401-2)
- 7 Sec. 1-2. Purpose and policy. This Act creates 2 major programs, the the Save Illinois Topsoil Program and the 8 9 Illinois Natural Resource Enhancement Program. It is the purpose of this Act that certain marginal agricultural land be 10 11 kept or taken out of crop production or pasture to protect soil 12 and water quality and to protect and support fish and wildlife 13 habitat. It is State policy to encourage the retirement of 14 marginal, highly erodible agricultural land, particularly land 15 adjacent to public waters and drainage systems, from crop production and to reestablish a cover of perennial vegetation 16 17 in order to conserve, protect and enhance important water and 18 land resources.
- 19 (Source: P.A. 85-960; 86-1475.)